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SUBJECT: RENEWAL OF BILATERAL AGREEMENT CONCERNING INTERNATIONAL  
OBSERVER SCHEME FOR WHALING OPERATIONS FROM LAND STATIONS

REF: STATE 067666

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED: GOJ HAS PROPOSED THAT NEW AGREEMENT  
ON OBSERVER SCHEME FOR WHALING OPERATIONS FROM LAND STATIONS BE  
SIGNED IN ORDER ACCOMMODATE SMALL AMENDMENT IT BELIEVES REQUIRED  
IN PARA. 3 OF PREAMBLE. FONOFF WISHES TO PRESENT NEW AGREEMENT  
TO CABINET FOR APPROVAL AT MEETING DURING SECOND HALF OF APRIL.  
EMBASSY WOULD THUS APPRECIATE EARLY DEPARTMENT RESPONSE. END  
SUMMARY.

1. IINO AND SEKI, 2ND INTL. ECON. AFFAIRS DIV., FONOFF, INFORMED  
EMBOFF THAT IN RECENT WASHINGTON MEETING WITH OES, SEKI HAD AGREED  
TO RENEWAL PROCEDURE PROPOSED REFTL FOR AGREEMENT ON LAND WHALING  
STATION OBSERVER SCHEME. HOWEVER, UPON SEKI'S RETURN TO JAPAN,  
FONOFF LEGAL AFFAIRS DIV. NOTED THAT AMENDMENT PARA. 3 OF PREAMBLE  
TO 1974 AGREEMENT WILL BE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO BRING IT INTO  
CONFORMITY WITH REARRANGEMENT OF PARAGRAPHS IN SCHEDULE TO THE  
INTERNATIONAL WHALING CONVENTION, WHICH OCCURRED AFTER  
CONCLUSION OF THE 1974 U.S.-JAPAN AGREEMENT.

2. ACCORDING TO FONOFF, END OF PARA. 3 OF PREAMBLE SHOULD BE  
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CHANGED FROM "...PARAGRAPH 1 (C) OF THE SCHEDULE TO THE

CONVENTION:" TO "...PARAGRAPH 19 (C) OF THE SCHEDULE TO THE  
CONVENTION:" FONOFF UNABLE FIND SATISFACTORY PRECEDENT FOR USING  
EXKMGE OF NOTES TO EXTEND AGREEMENT WHICH REQUIRES AMENDMENT  
AND THEREFORE PROPOSES SIGNING OF A NEW AGREEMENT USING TEXT OF  
1974 AGREEMENT EXCEPT FOR THE CHANGE NOTED ABOVE AND MOVING OF  
EXPIRATION DATE (FIRST SENTENCE ARTICLE 6) FORWARD TO FEB. 29,  
1976. FONOFF AGREEABLE TOMIYAZAKI, DIRECTOR-GENERAL, ECONOMIC  
AFFAIRS BUREAU, SIGNING FOR GOJ WITH E/C MINISTER-COUNSELOR  
WILLIAM E. CULBERT SIGNING FOR USG.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY DEPT.  
RESPONSE TO GOJ PROPOSAL PARA. 2 ABOVE. FONOFF HOPES TO PRESENT  
THIS AGREEMENT RENEWAL OF JAPAN-SOVIET AGREEMENT ON STATION-  
ING OF OBSERVERS ABOARD FACTORYSHIPS IN NORTH PACIFIC TOGETHER  
TO GOJ CABINET FOR APPROVAL AT MEETING DURING SECOND HALF OF  
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